

Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance Under 37 Cfr §1.104(e)  
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(PATENT)

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Patent Application of:  
Georg Kwoka et al.

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For: COMPACT DRIVE ASSEMBLY WITH  
MULTI-PLATE COUPLING

Examiner: R. M. Lorence

**COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE UNDER 37 CFR**  
**§1.104(E)**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Dear Sir:

Applicant has received the Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance with the October 1, 2009 Notices of Allowance and Allowability regarding the above-identified application. Entry of the Statement into the record should not be construed as any agreement with or acquiescence in the reasoning stated by the Examiner. Each of the claims stands on its own merits and is patentable because of the combination it recites and not because of the presence or absence of any one particular element. Applicant agrees with the Examiner's conclusions regarding patentability, without necessarily agreeing with or acquiescing in the Examiner's reasoning.

The Examiner's Statement was not prepared by Applicant and only contains the Examiner's possible positions in one or more reasons for allowability. Thus, any interpretation with respect to the Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance should not be imputed to the Applicant.

Applicant believes no fee is due with this response. However, if a fee is due, please charge our Deposit Account No. 18-0013, under Order No. 66968-0013 from which the undersigned is authorized to draw.

Dated: December 2, 2009

Respectfully submitted,

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